

JS 44 (N.D. Ohio)

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Civil Cover Sheet

The JS-44 Civil Cover Sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. Please refer to the instructions on page 2.

1. (a) PLAINTIFFS

Thomas Washington, et al.

DEFENDANTS

Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court, Joseph F. Russo,
Administrative Judge, et al.

1:02CV2094

(b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF Cuyahoga
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED DEFENDANT _____

(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND

(c) ATTORNEY'S NAME (FIRM NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER)

See Attachment

ATTORNEYS (IF KNOWN)

See Attachment

JUDGE OLIVER

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (PLACE A check IN ONE BOX ONLY)

- ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff
- ☒ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Gov't Not a Party)
- ☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant
- ☐ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (FOR DIVERSITY CASES ONLY)

(PLACE A CHECK IN ONE BOX FOR PLAINTIFF AND IN ONE BOX FOR DEFENDANT)

- | | PTF | DEF | | PTF | DEF |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Citizen of this State | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in this State | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 |
| Citizen of another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | Foreign Nation | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 |

IV. ORIGIN

(PLACE A CHECK IN ONE BOX ONLY)

- ☐ 1 Original Proceeding
- ☒ 2 Removed from State Court
- ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court
- ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened
- ☐ 5 Transferred from another district (specify) _____
- ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation
- ☐ 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment

V. NATURE OF SUIT

Please click on the appropriate nature of suit

CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES
110 Insurance 120 Marine 130 Miller Act 140 Negotiable Instrument 150 Overpayment Recovery & Enforcement of Judgment 151 Medicare Act 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excluding Veterans) 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Vet's Benefits 160 Stockholders' Suits 180 Other Contract 185 Contract Prod. Liability	PERSONAL INJURY 310 Airplane 315 Airplane Product Liability 320 Assault, Libel, Slander 330 Federal Employer's 340 Marine 345 Marine Product Liability 350 Motor Vehicle 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability 360 Other Pers. Injury	610 Agriculture 620 Other Food & Drug 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC § 881 630 Liquor Laws 640 Railroad & Truck 650 Airline Regulations 660 Occupational Safety/Health 690 Other	422 Appeal 28 USC § 158 423 Withdrawal 28 USC § 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS 820 Copyrights 830 Patent 840 Trademark SOCIAL SECURITY 861 HIA (1395ff) 862 Black Lung (923) 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) 864 SSID Title XVI 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Def.) 871 IRS-Third Party 26 USC § 7809	400 State Reapportionment 410 Antitrust 430 Banks & Banking 450 Commerce/CC Rates, etc. 460 Deportation 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (Civil RICO) 810 Selective Service 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange 875 Customer Challenge 12 USC § 3410 891 Agricultural Acts 892 Economic Stabilization Act 893 Environmental Matters 894 Energy Allocation Act 895 Freedom of Information Act 900 Appeal of Fee Determination Under Equal Access to Justice Act 950 Constitutionality of State Statute 990 Other Statutory Actions
REAL PROPERTY	CIVIL RIGHTS	LABOR		
210 Land Condemnation 220 Foreclosure 230 Rent Lease & Ejectmt 240 Torts to Land 245 Tort Product Liability 290 All Other Real Prop.	441 Voting 442 Employment 443 Housing/Accommodations 444 Welfare 440 Other Civil Rights	710 Fair Labor Standards Act 720 Labor/Management Relations 730 Labor/Management Reporting and Disclosure Act 740 Railway Labor Act 790 Other Labor Litigation 791 Employees Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA)		
	PERSONAL INJURY 362 Personal Injury—Med. Malpractice 365 Personal Injury—Product Liability 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY 370 Other Fraud 371 Truth in Lending 380 Other Personal Property Damage 385 Property Damage Product Liability			
	PRISONER PETITIONS 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence HABEAS CORPUS: 530 General 535 Death Penalty 540 Mandamus & Other 550 Civil Rights 555 Prison Conditions			

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

(Cite the U.S. civil statute under which you are filing and write brief statement of cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statute unless this is a diversity action)

42 U.S.C. Section 1983: Employment Discrimination

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☐ Check if this is a Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 Class Action

DEMAND: \$ 525,000.00

CHECK YES ONLY IF DEMANDED IN COMPLAINT:
JURY DEMAND: ☒ YES ☐ NO

VIII. RELATED CASE(S)

IF ANY (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

JUDGE O'Malley

DOCKET NUMBER See Attachment

Date

FOR CLERK'S OFFICE USE ONLY

RECEIPT NO. _____

AMOUNT \$ _____

JUDGE _____ MAGISTRATE JUDGE _____

637680

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO**

I. Civil Categories: (Please check one category only).

1. ☒ General Civil
2. ☐ Administrative Review/Social Security
3. ☐ Habeas Corpus Death Penalty

*If under Title 28, §2255, name the SENTENCING JUDGE:

CASE NUMBER:

II. **RELATED OR REFILED CASES.** See LR 3.1 which provides in pertinent part: "If an action is filed or removed to this Court and assigned to a District Judge after which it is discontinued, dismissed or remanded to a State court, and subsequently refiled, it shall be assigned to the same Judge who received the initial case assignment without regard for the place of holding court in which the case was refiled. Counsel or a party without counsel shall be responsible for bringing such cases to the attention of the Court by responding to the questions included on the Civil Cover Sheet."

This action is ☒ **RELATED** to another **PENDING** civil case. This action is ☐ **REFILED** pursuant to LR 3.1.

If applicable, please indicate on page 1 in section VIII, the name of the Judge and case number.

III. In accordance with Local Civil Rule 3.8, actions involving counties in the Eastern Division shall be filed at any of the divisional offices therein. Actions involving counties in the Western Division shall be filed at the Toledo office. For the purpose of determining the proper division, and for statistical reasons, the following information is requested.

ANSWER ONE PARAGRAPH ONLY. ANSWER PARAGRAPHS 1 THRU 3 IN ORDER. UPON FINDING WHICH PARAGRAPH APPLIES TO YOUR CASE, ANSWER IT AND STOP.

(1) **Resident defendant.** If the defendant resides in a county within this district, please set forth the name of such county

COUNTY: Cuyahoga

Corporation For the purpose of answering the above, a corporation is deemed to be a resident of that county in which it has its principal place of business in that district.

(2) **Non-Resident defendant.** If no defendant is a resident of a county in this district, please set forth the county wherein the cause of action arose or the event complained of occurred.

COUNTY:

(3) **Other Cases.** If no defendant is a resident of this district, or if the defendant is a corporation not having a principle place of business within the district, and the cause of action arose or the event complained of occurred outside this district, please set forth the county of the plaintiff's residence.

COUNTY:

IV. The Counties in the Northern District of Ohio are divided into divisions as shown below. After the county is determined in Section III, please check the appropriate division.

EASTERN DIVISION

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AKRON

(Counties: Carroll, Holmes, Portage, Stark, Summit, Tuscarawas and Wayne)

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CLEVELAND

(Counties: Ashland, Ashtabula, Crawford, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Medina and Richland)

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YOUNGSTOWN

(Counties: Columbiana, Mahoning and Trumbull)

WESTERN DIVISION

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TOLEDO

(Counties: Allen, Auglaize, Defiance, Erie, Fulton, Hancock, Hardin, Henry, Huron, Lucas, Marion, Mercer, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam, Sandusky, Seneca VanWert, Williams, Wood and Wyandot)

ATTACHMENT TO CIVIL COVER SHEET

SECTION 1(c):

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JOSEPH F. RUSSO, ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE; KENNETH J. LUSNIA; AND LEN
MUNKS

SECTION VIII (Related Cases)

Case No. 1:02 CV 1286	Judge O'Malley
Case No. 1:02 CV 1327	Judge O'Malley